AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

LISTING OF CLAIMS:

- 1. (Canceled)
- 2. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 24, wherein the two walls mesh with one another by material deformation performed in punctate fashion, with a diameter of from 3 to 6 mm.
- 3. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 24, wherein at least one wall is provided with circular indentations, and connections are made in a region of the indentations with spacing on all sides from an edge thereof.
- 4. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 24, wherein the two walls are preshaped prior to being joined.
- 5. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 24, wherein the flow-through chamber is exposed to an internal pressure that is elevated compared to an external pressure.

- 6. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 24, wherein denticulation of the two walls is stabilized by pressing on a ring around a deformation and inserting a disk in the deformation.
 - 7. (Canceled)
- 8. (Previously Presented) The heat exchanger of claim 12, wherein denticulations of the walls are embodied annularly.
- 9. (Previously Presented) The heat exchanger of claim 8, comprising, for each connecting point, a ring encompassing an eversion.
- 10. (Previously Presented) The heat exchanger of claim 12, wherein the denticulations are produced by an upsetting-pressing process and without penetration of sheet metal used to form the walls.
- 11. (Previously Presented) The heat exchanger of claim 12, wherein at least one wall comprises sheet copper with a thickness of from 0.3 to 0.8 mm.
 - 12. (Previously Presented) A heat exchanger comprising:

two joined together walls forming a flow-through chamber for a heat transfer medium, the walls being joined together at a plurality of connecting points inside a surface between edges of the heat exchanger, wherein the walls mesh with one another at the connecting points inside the surface between the edges of the heat

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exchanger and are punctate fastened to one another by compression molded annular denticulations, wherein the denticulations are disposed with a mutual spacing between denticulations of from 10 to 50 mm.

- 13. (Previously Presented) The heat exchanger of claim 12, wherein the denticulations are disposed in at least one of rows and in a grid pattern.
- 14. (Previously Presented) The heat exchanger of claim 12, wherein the denticulations are disposed inside an approximately circular indentation of the walls.
 - 15. (Canceled)
 - 16. (Canceled)
- 17. (Previously Presented) The construction kit of claim 26, wherein the connecting elements are plug connectors.
 - 18. (Previously Presented) The construction kit of claim 26, having a pump.
- 19. (Previously Presented) The construction kit of claim 26, having a hotwater tank.
 - 20. (Canceled)

- 21. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 24, wherein the two walls are made of sheet copper.
- 22. (Previously Presented) The heat exchanger of claim 11, wherein the thickness is from 0.5 to 0.65 mm.
- 23. (Previously Presented) The heat exchanger of claim 12, wherein the mutual spacing between denticulations is between 20 and 30 mm.
- 24. (Currently Amended) A compression-molding sheet metal joining method for producing a heat exchanger according to claim 12 having a flow-through chamber for a heat transfer medium, comprising:

disposing two sheet-metal walls facing one another to form a flow-through chamber for a heat transfer medium;

punctate fastening the two sheet-metal walls to one another at a plurality of connecting points inside the surface between the edges of the flow-through chamber; and

meshing the walls by material deformation at each connecting point with compression molded, annular denticulations disposed at a mutual spacing between the denticulations of from 10 to 50 mm.

25. (Canceled)

26. (Previously Presented) A construction kit for a heat exchanger system, comprising:

a plurality of heat exchangers; and

connecting elements for the connections of the heat exchangers configured according to claim 12.

- 27. (Canceled)
- 28. (Canceled)
- 29. (Canceled)
- 30. (New) A compression-molding sheet-metal joining method for producing a heat exchanger having a flow-through chamber for a heat transfer medium, comprising:

providing two sheet-metal walls;

shaping out indentations providing reinforcement by deformation of material of at least one of the two sheet-metal walls;

disposing the two sheet-metal walls facing one another, the indentations in the one sheet-metal wall being in contact with the other sheet-metal wall to form a flow-through chamber; and

punctate fastening the walls to one another at a plurality of connecting points inside the indentations with spacing on all sides from an edge thereof by

compression-molding the walls together by at least one of a material engagement and a positive engagement.